

PUBLIC NOTICE
OF JOINT STATE/EPA PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED REISSUANCE OF A MIXED WASTE MANAGEMENT
PERMIT AND PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF A HSWA PERMIT TO DSSI

by

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

and

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 4, RCRA BRANCH
ATLANTA, GEORGIA

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's (TDEC) Division of Solid Waste Management (DSWM) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will conduct a public hearing at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 12, 2000, at the Kingston Community Center, 201 Patton Ferry Road, Kingston, Tennessee 37763 to receive comments on DSWM's and EPA's proposed permits. DSWM proposes to reissue a mixed (which is a combination of hazardous and radioactive waste) waste management storage and treatment permit that would allow Diversified Scientific Services, Inc. (DSSI) to continue to operate an existing commercial mixed waste facility. EPA proposes to issue a new Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984 (HSWA) Permit for corrective action. These corrective action conditions are also included in the State permit.

From 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. citizens are invited to inspect and discuss the permit application, the draft permits, fact sheets and other materials with DSWM, EPA and DSSI representatives. The formal hearing will begin at 6:30 p.m. The DSWM and EPA will explain their tentative decisions to issue their permits after which DSSI will describe the facility. Oral comments on the draft permits will then be received from the public. There will also be an opportunity for public comments to be recorded or written and submitted from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

DSSI, which is currently permitted under Tennessee Permit No. TNHW-024, would be allowed to continue to operate two container storage areas and eight treatment and storage tanks. This proposed state permit adds one storage/treatment tank and one miscellaneous unit upon issuance of this permit. DSSI, EPA ID Number TND 98 210 9142, 657 Gallaher Road, Kingston, Roane County, Tennessee 37763, has submitted Part A and Part B permit applications to DSWM for renewal of the facility's mixed waste management facility permit. The two container storage areas consist of the Live Drum Room and the Inert Waste Storage Area. The nine tanks include 4 - 7,014 gallon Bulk Liquid Storage Tanks, 1 - 8,655 gallon Bulk Liquid Storage Tank, 2 - 565 gallon Test Tanks, 1 - 565 gallon Waste Feed Storage Tank, and 1 - 487 gallon Solids Liquefaction Tank (proposed). The one proposed miscellaneous unit includes the stabilization unit. The total storage/treatment capacities include: storage of 88,279 gallons in containers, treatment of 17,500 gallons/day in containers, storage of 38,903 gallons in tanks, treatment of 38,903 gallons/day in tanks, and treatment of 9,100 gallons/day in the miscellaneous unit. This proposal does not include the boiler system that is proposed to be permitted under a separate permit. The facility technical contact is Mr. Rich Devin, Engineering Manager, DSSI, telephone 865-376-8706.

The state permit is proposed to be issued under the authority of the Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Act of 1977, as amended, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-212-101 et seq., and Chapters 1200-1-11 Tennessee Hazardous Waste Management Rules. EPA proposes issuance of a new HSWA permit under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments of 1984. EPA has proposed its permit since Tennessee does

not yet have full authority to approve, in lieu of EPA, the HSWA permit. The HSWA permit contains the conditions for corrective action of solid waste management units and areas of concern which are also included as part of the State permit. The HSWA Permit also requires notification of imminent hazards, and when applicable, compliance with the requirements developed under land disposal restrictions and organic air emission standards. The federal permit, in combination with the state's proposed mixed waste permit, would constitute a full RCRA permit.

Copies of DSSI's application, the draft permits, fact sheets and public notice are available for public inspection at the following locations: Kingston Public Library, 1004 Bradford Way, Kingston, Tennessee, telephone 865-376-9905; Oak Ridge Public Library, Civic Center, 1401 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, telephone 865-482-8455. These materials are also available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Knoxville Environmental Assistance Center, Public Access Area, 2700 Middlebrook Pike, Suite 220, Knoxville, Tennessee 37921-5602, telephone 865-594-6035, and at DSWM'S Nashville Central Office located on the 5th Floor, L&C Tower, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1535; telephone 615-532-0780.

Any interested person may submit written comments on the state proposal or obtain further information by contacting: Ms. Hymelia Craig, Treatment Storage and Disposal Section; Division of Solid Waste Management; Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation; 5th Floor, L&C Tower; 401 Church Street; Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1535; telephone 615-532-0828 or E-mail to hrcraig@mail.state.tn.us. Persons wishing to comment on the federal HSWA permit should submit such comments in writing to: Environmental Protection Agency; ATTENTION: Mr. Narindar Kumar, Chief; RCRA Branch, Waste Management Division; 61 Forsyth Street; Atlanta, GA 30303. The comments must be received by 4:30 p.m., September 21, 2000, to assure consideration. After considering all public comments received, the DSWM Director and EPA will issue a final permit decision and a Response to Comments. Questions regarding the HSWA permit should be sent to Mr. Rick Gillam at the above EPA address, telephone 404-562-8498 or via E-mail at gillam.rick@epa.gov.

Individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in these proceedings (or to review these filings) should contact the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation to discuss any auxiliary aids or services needed to facilitate such participation. Such contact may be in person, by writing, telephone, or other means, and should be made no less than ten days prior to (scheduled hearing date) (date such party intends to review such filings), to allow time to provide such aid or services. Contact the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation ADA Coordinator, Isaac Okoreeh-Baah, 7th Floor Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, TN 37243, 615-532-0059. Hearing impaired callers may use the Tennessee Relay Service (1-800-848-0298).

Persons who wish to be on DSWM's mailing list should request a Mailing List Request form by calling or writing: Public Participation Officer; Division of Solid Waste Management; Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation; 5th Floor, L&C Tower; 401 Church Street; Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1535; telephone 615-532-0780.

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